MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): May I know whether the Director is in possession of full particulars as to the local needs of any particular school before that school is abolished?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes, in possession of full particulars.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): Has a school at Kanjipadom been ordered to be abolished?

MR. R M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): Does that particular locality enjoy any educational facilities otherwise than through that school?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The Kanjipadom school is not abolished as an overlapping school. I mean the school was abolished under quite separate circumstances.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): What has the Director done for purpose of serving the needs of that locality in regard to educational matters?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The Director is considering whether he cannot open another school with private building on a suitable site.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*) ഒരു പള്ളിക്കൂടത്തിന്റെ അംഗീകരണം പിൻവലിക്കുന്നതിനുമുമ്പു ആ പള്ളിക്കൂടത്തിൽ പഠിക്കുന്ന കുട്ടികൾക്കു വേറെ പള്ളിക്കൂടങ്ങളിൽ പോയി പഠിക്കാൻ സൌകര്യമുണ്ടോ ഇല്ലയോ എന്നന്വേഷിച്ചിട്ടാണോ അംഗീകരണം പിൻ വലിക്കുന്നതു്?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Recognition is only withdrawn after the Director has assured himself that adequate provision exists in other schools for giving instruction to the children of the school whose recognition is being withdrawn.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): May I know whether he has personally inspected all the schools before recognition has been withdrawn?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): It is quite impossible for the Director to personally inspect every school; but he has visited a number of schools and enabled to satisfy himself before recognition is withdrawn that such schools were unnecessary.

Drinking water in coastal regions.

25. ***MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Ambalapuzha I*): Will the Government be pleased to state what steps, if any, have been taken for the supply of good drinking water in coastal regions as recommended by this Assembly?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Deputy Director of Public Health has been asked to submit proposals in consultation with the Chief Engineer so that a definite programme may be laid down for the supply of good drinking water to the coastal regions of the State.

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MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): Has any report been submitted by them?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Not yet.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*): When was a reference made for the report?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): About two months ago.

Schools and Offices visited by the Director of Public Instruction.

256 *MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the Schools and Offices visited by the Director of Public Instruction outside Trivandrum after 1-1-1109; and

(*b*) whether the Director has visited Vaikam; and, if so, the institution he visited there?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): (*a*) A statement furnishing the particulars is laid on the table.

(*b*) Yes, the English High School, Vaikam.

MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikam*): Was it a working day when the Director visited this school?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): No.

MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikam*): Did the Director meet any of the officers of the Education Department on the day on which he visited?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Yes.

MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikam*): May I know whom he saw on that occasion?

PRESIDENT: Well, well. No further question.

Designation of the Officers in the office of the Director of Public Instruction.

257. *MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to state the designation of officers in the office of the Director of Public Instruction who were signing orders to subordinate officers before 1-1-1109 and subsequent to it?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*):

Before 1-1-1109.

1. The Director of Public Instruction.
2. The Personal Assistant to the Director of Public Instruction.

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* *Vide* Appendix III.

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